

## Supporting Information

# **pH Responsive Translocation of An Anticancer Drug between Cyclodextrin and DNA**

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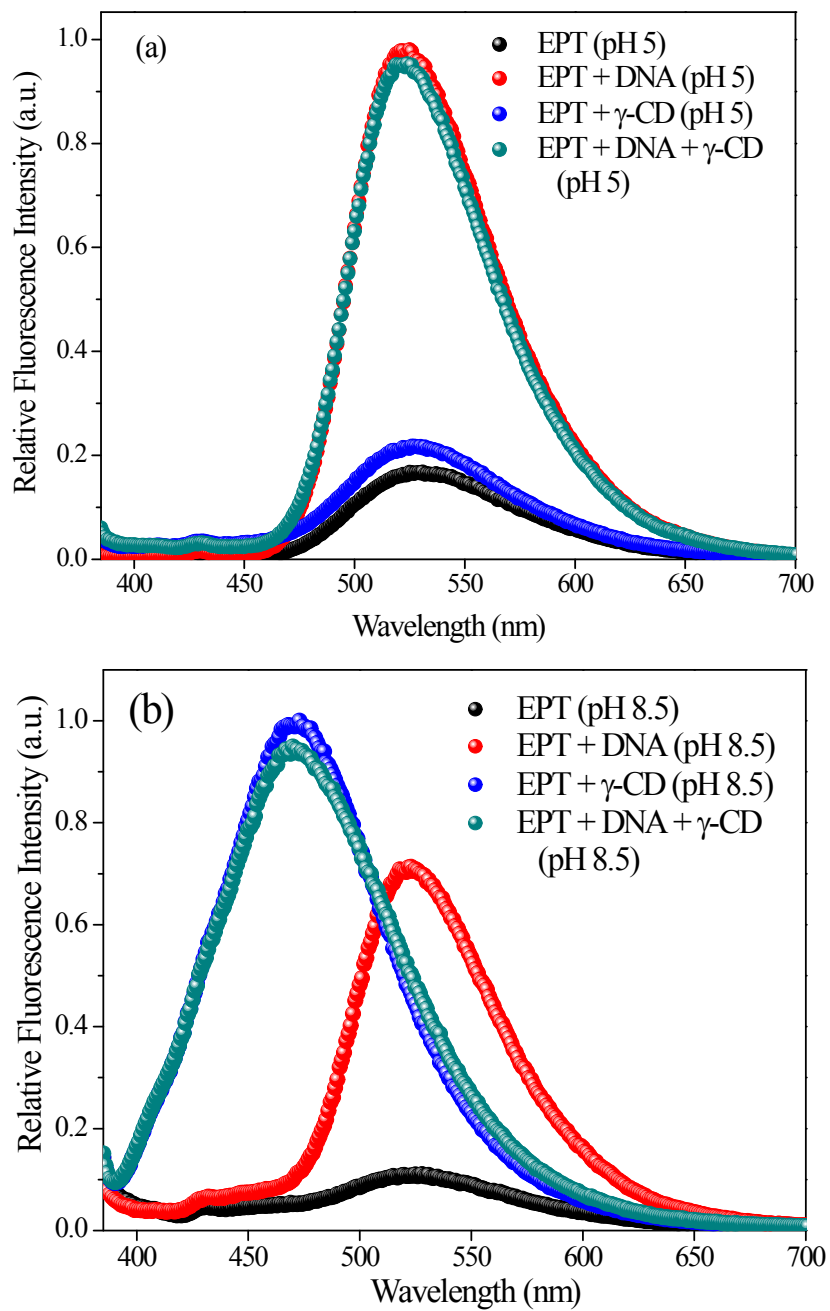
**Table S1.** Fluorescence transient fittings of EPT (15  $\mu\text{M}$ ) in absence and presence of  $\gamma\text{-CD}$  (10  $\text{mM}$ ) and DNA (100  $\mu\text{M}$ ) at different pH conditions, collected at respective emission maximum.

| Sample                                | $\tau_1$ | $a_1$ | $\tau_2$ | $a_2$ | $\tau_3$ | $a_3$ | $\langle\tau\rangle^\#$ | $\chi^2$ |
|---------------------------------------|----------|-------|----------|-------|----------|-------|-------------------------|----------|
| <b>pH 7</b>                           |          |       |          |       |          |       |                         |          |
| EPT at 530                            | 1.99     | 0.9   | 5.55     | 0.1   | -        | -     | 2.34                    | 1.1      |
| EPT + $\gamma\text{-CD}$ + DNA at 475 | 0.78     | 0.65  | 5.86     | 0.11  | 31.76    | 0.24  | 8.76                    | 1        |
| EPT + $\gamma\text{-CD}$ + DNA at 525 | -        | -     | 5.47     | 0.31  | 19.2     | 0.69  | 14.96                   | 1.15     |
| EPT + DNA at 525                      | -        | -     | 5.56     | 0.2   | 15.98    | 0.8   | 13.93                   | 1.06     |
| EPT + $\gamma\text{-CD}$ at 475       | 0.82     | 0.71  | 5.74     | 0.07  | 36.78    | 0.22  | 9.22                    | 1        |
| <b>pH 5</b>                           |          |       |          |       |          |       |                         |          |
| EPT at 530                            | 1.96     | 0.83  | 7.27     | 0.17  | -        | -     | 2.86                    | 1.12     |
| EPT + $\gamma\text{-CD}$ + DNA at 525 | -        | -     | 5.93     | 0.18  | 16.18    | 0.82  | 14.34                   | 1.04     |
| EPT + DNA at 525                      | -        | -     | 5.59     | 0.16  | 15.85    | 0.84  | 14.21                   | 1.01     |
| EPT + $\gamma\text{-CD}$ at 475       | 0.95     | 0.43  | 3.46     | 0.49  | 22.58    | 0.08  | 3.92                    | 1.09     |
| <b>pH 8.5</b>                         |          |       |          |       |          |       |                         |          |
| EPT at 530                            | 1.93     | 0.95  | 6.42     | 0.05  | -        | -     | 2.16                    | 1.29     |
| EPT + $\gamma\text{-CD}$ + DNA at 475 | 0.8      | 0.67  | 5.35     | 0.09  | 35.3     | 0.23  | 9.27                    | 1.03     |
| EPT + DNA at 525                      | -        | -     | 4.73     | 0.26  | 15.53    | 0.74  | 12.74                   | 1.04     |
| EPT + $\gamma\text{-CD}$ at 475       | 0.83     | 0.69  | 6.24     | 0.08  | 38.11    | 0.23  | 9.79                    | 1.01     |

$$\# \langle\tau\rangle = a_1 * \tau_1 + a_2 * \tau_2 + a_3 * \tau_3$$

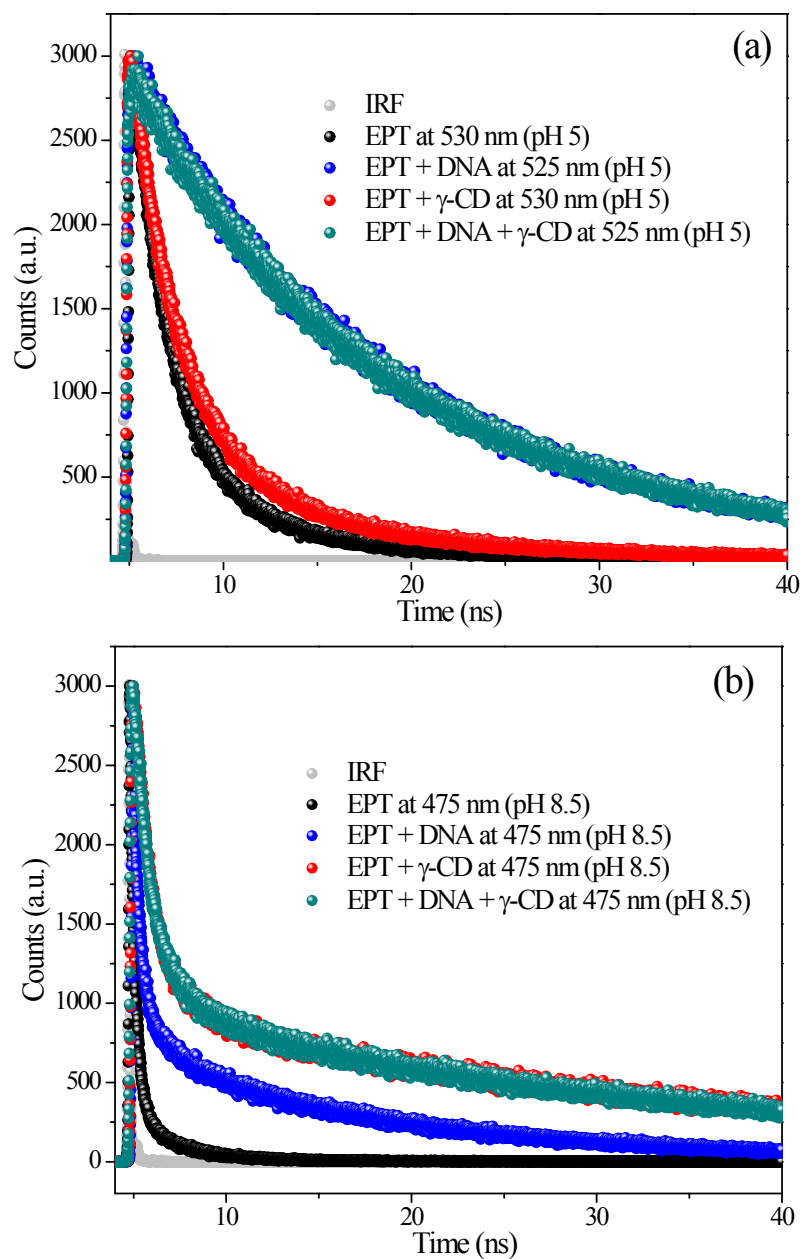
**Table S2.** Anisotropy transient fittings of EPT (15  $\mu\text{M}$ ) in absence and presence of  $\gamma\text{-CD}$  (10 mM) and DNA (100  $\mu\text{M}$ ) at different pH conditions, collected at respective emission maximum.

| Sample                                | $\tau_{1r}$ | $a_1$ | $\tau_{2r}$ | $a_2$ | $\chi^2$ |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|-------|-------------|-------|----------|
| <b>pH 7</b>                           |             |       |             |       |          |
| EPT at 530                            | 0.12        | -     | -           | -     | 1.03     |
| EPT + $\gamma\text{-CD}$ + DNA at 475 | 0.52        | 0.68  | 12.8        | 0.32  | 1.04     |
| EPT + $\gamma\text{-CD}$ + DNA at 525 | 0.5         | 0.41  | 18.48       | 0.59  | 1.07     |
| EPT + DNA at 525                      | 0.99        | 0.33  | 14.57       | 0.67  | 1.09     |
| EPT + $\gamma\text{-CD}$ at 475       | 0.85        | -     | -           | -     | 1.02     |
| <b>pH 5</b>                           |             |       |             |       |          |
| EPT + $\gamma\text{-CD}$ + DNA at 525 | 0.79        | 0.32  | 12.9        | 0.68  | 1.14     |
| EPT + DNA at 525                      | 1.15        | 0.31  | 13.73       | 0.69  | 1.11     |
| EPT + $\gamma\text{-CD}$ at 525       | 0.22        | -     | -           | -     | 1.04     |
| <b>pH 8.5</b>                         |             |       |             |       |          |
| EPT + $\gamma\text{-CD}$ + DNA at 475 | 0.96        | -     | -           | -     | 1.04     |
| EPT + DNA at 525                      | 0.26        | 0.28  | 18.5        | 0.72  | 1.09     |
| EPT + $\gamma\text{-CD}$ at 475       | 0.86        | -     | -           | -     | 1.04     |

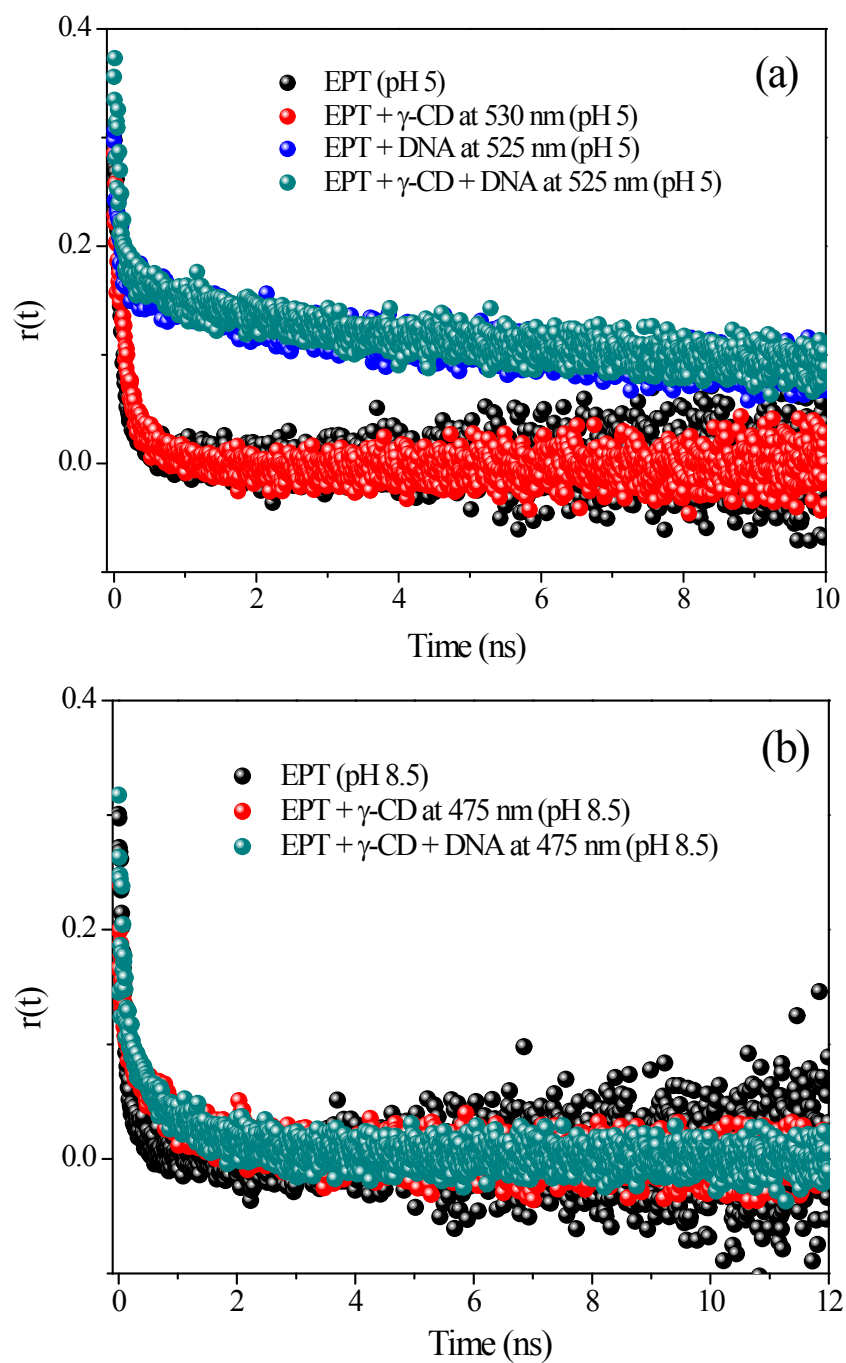


**Figure S1.** Emission spectra of EPT (15  $\mu\text{M}$ ) in absence and presence of  $\gamma\text{-CD}$  (10 mM) and DNA (100  $\mu\text{M}$ ) at pH (a) 5, and (b) 8.5.

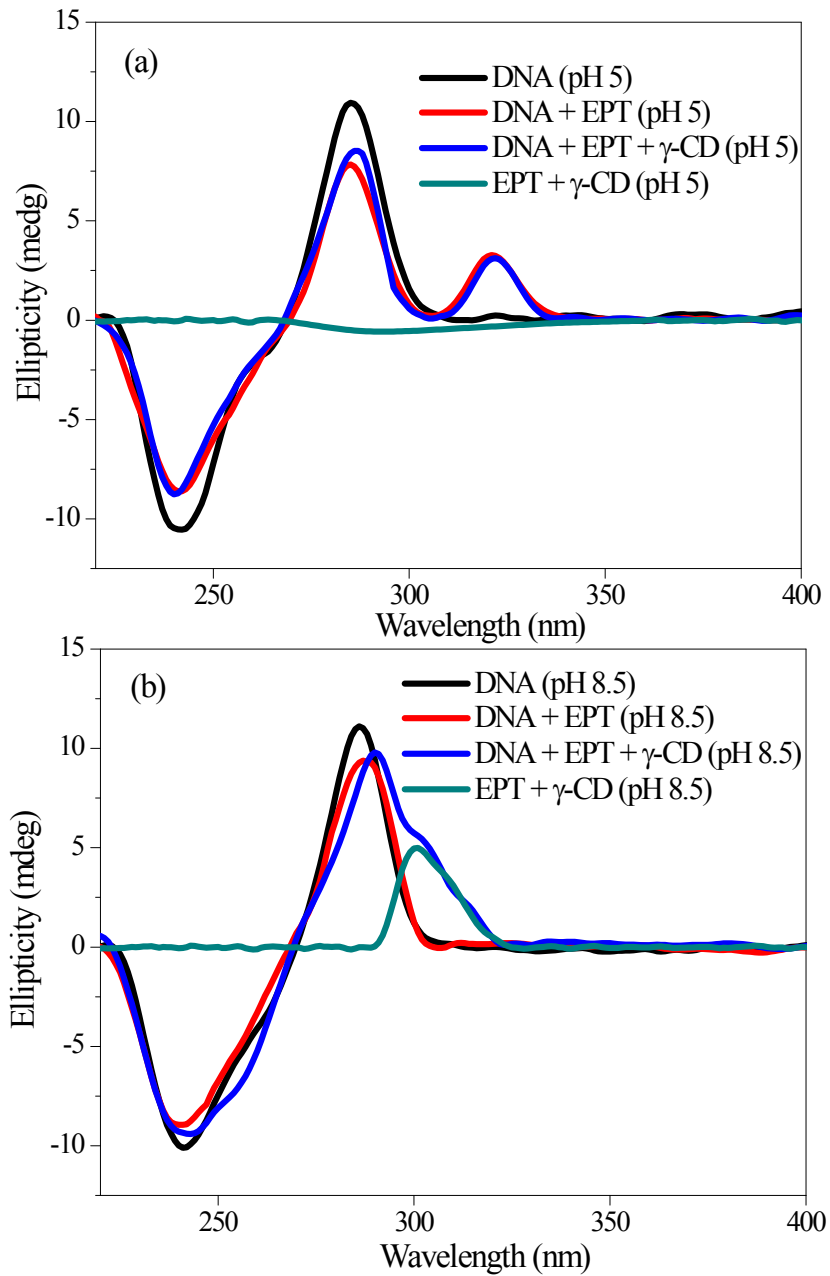




**Figure S2.** Fluorescence transients of EPT (15  $\mu$ M) in absence and presence of  $\gamma$ -CD (10 mM) and DNA (100  $\mu$ M) at pH (a) 5 and (b) 8.5, collected at respective emission maximum.



**Figure S3.** Fluorescence anisotropy transients of EPT (15  $\mu$ M) in absence and presence of  $\gamma$ -CD (10 mM) and DNA (100  $\mu$ M) at pH (a) 5 and (b) 8.5, collected at respective emission maximum.



**Figure S4.** Circular dichroism spectra of DNA (200  $\mu$ M) in absence and presence of  $\gamma$ -CD (10 mM) and EPT (30  $\mu$ M) at (a) pH 5 and (b) pH 8.5.